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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated July 8, 2004, the species of Figure 6A are elected for prosecution. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing or divisional application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect any non-elected inventions. Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

An extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently. Any fee credits or deficiencies may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1935.

Remarks

With respect to the relationship of Claim 6 to Figure 7, as noted in the Summary (page 2, lines 20-25), a circulator (such as that illustrated in Figure 7) can be coupled to